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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT CAMP DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

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Almost a year has passed since the members of the Camp Directors Association were rash enough to elect me as their president. It has taken all this time to develop a comprehensive idea of the leadership needed by, and a partial conception of the problems and obligations confronting our organization.

Co-operation, on the part of the Secretary-Treasurer, Chairmen of Committees, Presidents of Sections, Leaders of Conferences, Members of the Executive Committee and Special Annual Meeting Committees, has been most gratifying. The greater part of the real work since the last meeting has been done by Miss Mattoon, Mr. Bentley, Mr. Hackett, Mr. Rice, Mrs. Worthington, Miss Deming, Mrs. Welch, Miss Holiday, Mr. Gibson—I should not mention names because a hundred faithful workers would be omitted.

May I enumerate a few of the tasks undertaken and indicate progress made, if any?

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The membership drive, outlined by Mr. Frank S. Hackett, chairman of your committee, and carried out through your secretary-treasurer's office, though still in operation, has brought many new members into our midst and should continue, with your help, to bring in many more.

It is hoped that this meeting will somewhat modify the procedure requirements, and dues, and by so doing make membership more desirable and more readily obtainable for those who are really qualified.

#### NATIONAL EMBLEM

A national emblem should be adopted but I wish to have no part in helping select it. I suggest this be left to the incoming executive committee—the present committee failed to reach a decision.

#### CONFERENCES

Special counselor training is fast becoming imperative. This is apparent from the great increase in conferences, institutes, and counselor training courses in universities. The Boy Scouts of America is adding five intensive counselor training courses this spring. The Y. M. C. A. is planning as soon as practical to require training course attendance by all of its counselors; opportunity for this training to be provided in Y. M. C. A. colleges and special conferences. The conferences conducted directly under the Camp Directors Association will be continued as last year except for the Forestry Conference.

It was my pleasure to meet the heads of these conferences in Boston in October and to assist in developing plans for the coming spring. The California, University of Iowa, and Mid-West conferences will be conducted as last year and announcements are already out for the first two. Developments along the line of director and counselor education and training demand much more attention from the Camp Directors Association than they are receiving. We have previously had a conference committee. Now we have an Educational Research and Conference Committee. The Conference division is working, the Educational has started and the Research should get under way soon.

#### SWIMMING AND LIFE-SAVING STANDARDS

The desirability of having uniform swimming and life-saving standards taught by the various organizations undertaking to train counselors has long been recognized. A step in this direction was taken when representatives of the American Red Cross and Boy Scouts of America and the Camp

Directors Association met in Boston last fall. Requirements for the qualifications of first, Swimming Counselor, second, Advanced Swimming Counselor, and third, Waterfront Director, were worked out and adopted. The committee appointed is still serving and will soon have qualifications ready for publication.

Boat work and use of special life-saving equipment are stressed in Waterfront Director's requirements. The adoption of these standards will be sought by all organiza-

tions giving counselor training.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY

The work of the National Safety Council during the past year will give us some positive collective information on the sickness and accident frequency in camp. More valuable results would be available had we been more faithful in sending in information requested.

Dr. Clow's report will be found most interesting. It is my recommendation that we request the National Safety Council to continue its study and to furnish us with forms for reports and posters for the coming sea-

son.

#### FINANCES

Much to be done and little to do it with summarizes the situation. The Camp Directors Association should provide more money for the carrying on of its work. The Membership Committee is doing its share to increase our income by adding new members. The Finance Committee has worked hard on the Endowment Fund and has other plans. May I ask that you give loyal support to any plans worked out and adopted by this meeting or by your executive and finance committees, following. What we need more than endowment is money to use now. The Camp Directors Association is now in a very critical stage in its development. In five years from now it may be the most powerful factor in determining the standards and future of the camping movement or it may be replaced by another organization with a broader vision. Without funds for development, study, publication and research little advance can be made.

#### THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Rather extensive changes in the Constitution and By-laws were submitted to your executive committee, section presidents, and the editor of THE CAMPING MAGAZINE. It was evident from replies received that no such extensive change was desired. A smaller number of changes was then submitted to the membership. These changes have been carefully gone over by your board of directors and will be presented to you with their suggestions for your consideration and action.

#### THE CAMPING MAGAZINE

Your Executive Committee's most difficult problem has been the magazine "Camping" and THE CAMPING MAGAZINE. Various attempts to establish satisfactory relations with the former publishers failed and it became necessary to sever relationship and to have the Camp Directors Association in possession of publisher's rights. In order to do this the name was changed from "Camping" to THE CAMPING MAGAZINE. T. O. Metcalf Company, Boston, were engaged as printers and Mr. Robert W. Williamson and Mr. James W. Frick of that company secured as business manager and advertising manager respectively. The January issue was the first to be published under the new arrangements. The February issue showed marked improvement and plans are in hand for the further development of succeeding issues. The publication arrangements, the editorial policy and the general supervision of our magazine now is and should continue to be in the hands of your executive committee.

#### THE EDITORIAL STAFF

Mr. H. W. Gibson has been retained as editor-in-chief. Miss Laura I. Mattoon, Mr. A. E. Hamilton and Mr. Robert Snaddon have been active as associate editors, and Mr. Chas. E. Hendry has been made an advisory editor. Other men and women interested in the educational aspects of camping are available and the various section editors are making valuable contributions.

#### PUBLICITY

The secretary's office has been besieged with requests for information and much material sent out. A great deal of material has been accumulated which lack of funds has made it impossible to distribute.

Members of the association and many directors who are members have written much that is helpful to the camping movement.

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## CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS AMENDED

## COUNSELOR DIVISION AUTHORIZED. MAIL SYSTEM OF VOTING INTERPRETED. SECTIONS TO SHARE IN MEMBERSHIP DUES. MANY IMPORTANT CHANGES.

Members will find the following changes in the Constitution and By-Laws adopted at the Chicago meeting, February 28, 1930, to be in line with the modern trend toward greater democracy. By comparing these changes with the former Articles and Sections, it will be noted that the method of conducting a vote by mail has been amplified, and that members now pay but one set of dues instead of paying both national and sectional dues. A certain amount of dues paid to the national organization are now allocated to the Section from which the membership has been received. It will be also noted that a Counselors Division has been provided for and that THE CAMPING MAGAZINE is accepted constitutionally as the official magazine of the association.

The following amendments were adopted:

#### ARTICLE III

Section 1. Membership in this Association, to be determined as hereinafter stated, shall consist of the following four classes: Honorary, Active, Associate, Counselor.

#### ARTICLE IV

Section 5. The Membership Committee shall consist of a Chairman, appointed by the Executive Committee, and the Chairmen of the Membership Committees of the respective Sections.

Section 6. Membership in the Association shall be determined as follows: The applicant must fill and forward to the secretary of the Section with which affiliation is desired the regulation blank prepared by the National Organization accompanied by two letters of recommendation from camp directors. Each application thus filed must be approved officially by the Executive Committee of the Section then forwarded to the National Secretary. Final approval of all membership applications shall rest with the National Executive Committee, a two-thirds vote of these members in each instance being necessary for approval.

#### ARTICLE V

Section 4. A counselor division also may be formed in the section for the purpose of bringing together members of the various counselor staffs represented. In all section programs topics of specific interest to counselors should be incorporated. Counselors may form separate groups but shall have no power to legislate on matters outside the limits of their local interests.

## ARTICLE VI

The Annual dues for Active, Associate and Counselor membership respectively, as stipulated in Section III of By-Laws, shall be due and payable to the Secretary-Treasurer on October first.

## ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended, etc. (as found in present booklet).

Section 2. At the option of the Executive Committee a vote by mail may be substituted for a vote at any regular meeting, in which case a quorum shall consist of twenty-five per cent of the Active membership in good standing.

Section 3. A vote by mail also may be substituted for a vote at any regular meeting when a petition for the same shall have been signed by at least twenty-five per cent of all Active members in good standing and formally presented to the Executive Committee. If such a vote then be taken, no quorum shall be established unless lettervotes in number representing twenty-five per cent of all Active members in good standing be received by the Executive Committee at least twenty days before the date scheduled for a regular meeting.

#### BY-LAWS

Section 3. Dues

The annual dues for membership shall be respectively as follows:

- A. Active Membership
  - 1. Current, \$10.00
  - 2. Contributing, \$20.00
  - 3. Sustaining, \$25.00 or more
- B. Associate Membership, \$5.00
- C. Counselor Membership, \$3.00

Section 4. There shall be no dues for Honorary Membership.

Section 5. The following amounts respectively shall be returned to the Treasurer of the Section from which they came: Three dollars of each current membership; five dollars of each contributing membership; two dollars of each Associate membership; one dollar of each counselor membership.

Section 6. All funds of the Association—except those received for endowment with interest thereon—may be disbursed by vote at any regular meeting or by the Executive Committee on warrant signed by the Secretary-Treasurer and countersigned by the President.

Section 7. The official magazine of the Camp Directors Association shall be THE CAMPING MAGAZINE. Each member in good standing shall be entitled to receive a copy of this magazine gratis.

#### MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CAMP DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

The Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors, Thursday, February 27, 1930, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Il!.

Those present: Dr. J. P. Sprague, National President; Miss Laura I. Mattoon, Sec'y-Treas.; Miss Agathe Deming, Pres., N. Y. Section; Dr. Ewerhardt, Pres., Mid-West Section; Dr. Lloyd Sharp.

Since there was not a quorum of the Board present only recommendations could be given to the Executive Committee for

action.

I. Exchange Speakers: Progressive Education Association Convention, Camp Direc-

tors Association Convention.

The Executive Committee of the Camp Directors Association had arranged with the Progressive Education Association for exchange of speakers for the respective Conventions. Dr. Perry Smith was appointed as the representative from the P. E. A. The Board recommended that Ralph Hill be appointed to speak for the C. D. A. at the P. E. A. Convention to be held April 3-5. Should Mr. Hill not be able to accept then Dr. J. P. Sprague should receive the appointment.

II. Education Committee

The General Conference Committee came up for discussion. Its name is now to be "The Education Committee," and has three subcommittees: 1. Research; 2. Camp Leadership Courses in Colleges and Schools of Physical Education; 3. C. D. A. Conference Committees. Dr. Sprague suggested that since there seems to be a vital need, arrangements should be made for Directors to share in any educational system planned by the Committee. Many directors just entering the camping field have had no training and possess little knowledge of the camping movement.

Miss Holiday was appointed to head the sub-committee which is to work with the Colleges in planning courses in Camp Leadership.

#### III. THE CAMPING MAGAZINE

a. Since excellent material was being sent to the magazine it was suggested that a June number be printed.

b. A new plan was recommended for arranging material.

1. In the Section departments should be the personals, dates of meetings, reports of meetings, etc.

2. The main division of the magazine should be, each month, devoted exclusively to one subject, such as Arts and Crafts, Awards and Honors, etc. Thus a valuable reference library could be built up.

IV. Medical card for Food Handlers

This card, prepared by Dr. Fred E. Clow, Chairman of our Health Committee, had been submitted to the State Health Department of Massachusetts, New York, and New Hampshire. It was recommended that the card be made available at once through the national office.

V. New York Section Resolution

The resolution was discussed in detail and left to the business meeting for action.

Resolution:

- 1. Since there is evidently a strong movement toward the formation of a representative national body to act as a clearing house for the camping movement as a whole:—and
- 2. Since the C. D. A. represents a certain phase of this movement:
- 3. BE IT RESOLVED that the C. D. A. take active steps toward helping promote such a body and become a part thereof commensurate with that division of the movement as a whole which it represents:—and

4. That to this end, the National Convention appoint a Committee, (a) to get all pertinent facts available, (b) to formulate plans for launching a National Association, (c) to carry these plans through so far as is practicable, and (d) to report by April 10 whatever measure of success or failure it has met.

The purpose in forming such a large federation of camping agencies would be to more effectively represent the needs of camps in contact with legislative and governmental agencies, and to promote more effective research. Thus it would be possible for the C. D. A. to focus more sharply on the specific problems of the private camp director. No material change in the C. D. A., as it is at present constituted, will be necessitated by the adoption of the above Resolution.

## THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

At a meeting of the Executive Committee held March 2, 1930, at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, the following motions were made, discussed in full, and carried:

In line with previous consideration of the same subject (by the former executive committee October 25, 1929) it was voted to withdraw the official C. D. A. page from the privately owned monthly "Camp Life" and to concentrate our official editorial efforts on our C. D. A. official monthly THE CAMPING MAGAZINE which is now owned and directed by our Camp Director's Association.

The Medical Blank for Food Handlers, prepared by Dr. Fred Clow, Chairman of the C. D. A. Committee on Health, and submitted to the Health Departments of New Hampshire, New York, and Massachusetts, was accepted.

Since so much excellent material has been received by THE CAMPING MAGAZINE it was thought wise to print a June issue.

Washington, D. C., was chosen for the 1931 C. D. A. Convention. (Tentative dates, Feb. 26-March 1 or March 5-8.)

Several years ago an admirable leaflet of suggested books for campers and counselors was prepared by the Child Study Association for the New York Section. It was decided to appoint a National Committee to work with

the Child Study Association, in preparation of another such book list.

The Mental Hygiene Congress meets in Washington, D. C., May 5-10. It is the wish of the Committee to have the C. D. A. represented.

At the suggestion of Mr. S. J. Williams, National Safety Council, the following Committee was appointed to work with the Council on camp safety: Mrs. I. Spectorsky, Miss Agathe Deming, Mr. Fay Welch, Mr. Dwight L. Rogers, Jr., Dr. J. P. Sprague, Miss Laura I. Mattoon.

The recommendation of the Board of Directors for a change in the name and work of the General Conference Committee to that of "The Education Committee" with three sub-committees, was adopted and the following committees appointed:

Education Committee—Mr. Herbert H. Twining, Chairman. Sub-Committees—Research, Chairman, Mr. Herbert H. Twining; Camp Leadership Courses in Colleges and Schools of Physical Education, Chairman, Miss Sara G. Holiday; C. D. A. Conferences, Chairman, Mr. Dwight L. Rogers, Jr.

Committee to study the advisability of forming a Federation of Camping Agencies: Chairman, Dr. L. B. Sharp, Chicago; Dr. J. P. Sprague, Evanston; Miss Agathe Deming, New York; Miss Laura I. Mattoon, Wolfeboro, N. H.; Dr. Elbert K. Fretwell, New York; Mr. Louis Fleisher, Philadelphia; Mr. Frederick Guggenheimer, New York; Dr. W. J. Monilaw, Chicago; Mr. L. L. McDonald, New York; Mr. W. H. Wones, Milwaukee; Mr. H. C. Beckman, New York; Miss Sara G. Holiday, Burlington, Iowa; Mr. W. H. Bentley, Boston; Miss Ethel J. McCoy, Sweet Brier, Va., and Mr. Herbert H. Twining, Madison, Wis.

## SIDELIGHTS ON CAMP DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Held at Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, February 28, March 1, 2, 1930

Next Meeting To Be Held in Washington, D. C. Regular sessions of the convention opened at 9:30 A. M. in the large ball room of the Edgewater Beach Hotel. The only disappointment on the program, which was made up by many delightful surprises, was the absence of Mr. A. D. Zanzig, Director of National Music Study, Playground and

Recreation Association of America. Fortunately Mr. Zanzig had forwarded song books and slides which were available. Mr. Hugh C. Dickerson, music director of Camp Minocqua, and Mr. Harris R. Vale, music director of Camp Highlands, opened the convention with spirited camp songs, in which all members joined heartily.

The address of welcome by Dr. F. H. Ewerhardt, President of the Mid-West Section was direct and effective. We all felt the warmth and sincerity of his welcome. It was evident that the Mid-West Section had made and were carrying out extensive plans for the entertainment and comfort of all members of the convention assembled.

Dr. John P. Sprague, president of the Camp Directors Association responded to the address and expressed the appreciation of the association for the help of the Mid-West Section. Dr. Sprague then outlined some of the accomplishments as well as plans for future activity and development of the association.

The association then divided for group discussions. A long list of interesting subjects was handed to each group leader. The discussion for Private Camp for Girls was led by Miss Agathe Deming, Private Camps for Boys by Dr. F. H. Ewerhardt, Institutional Camps by Dr. L. B. Sharp, Counselor discussion by Miss Charlotte Bonney. The keen interest shown in these group discussions is evidenced by the fact that all groups continued their discussions at luncheons especially arranged for them.

Mrs. Mary Stevens Dickie, the author of "Singing Pathways," entertained the convention, following luncheon, with her discussion of interesting camp songs, and with selections of her own composition.

Every camp director was interested and thrilled by the presentation of the Nature Study Programs arranged by The Field Museum and given by Miss Margaret Cornell. This talk was illustrated by most beautiful as well as instructive lantern slides. I am sure that everyone present will make much greater use of the opportunities for nature study surrounding their camp after hearing Miss Cornell.

The entire program of this convention was built around the two important subjects, now in the minds of all camp directors as well

as all educators of youth, "Mental Hygiene" and "Positive Character Development." Prof. J. B. Morgan of Northwestern University, very ably presented the Current Principles. Mr. Hedley S. Dimock, co-editor of "Camping and Character," a book which has received most favorable comment from all who have read it, gave us the direct application of these principles to the life of our boys and girls in camp. This was followed at eight o'clock in the evening by a forceful and unusual presentation of "Recent Investigations in Character Development" by Dr. Norman E. Richardson, of the Mc-Cormick Theological Seminary. Every person hearing Dr. Richardson will not only better understand how to bring about positive character development in their campers but will, I am sure, provide the instruments for making the investigation and records necessary to determine the amount of positive character development going on in their own camps.

The report of Dr. Fred E. Clow, chairman of the Health Committee, was read and commented upon by Miss Laura I. Mattoon. This report was followed by a talk by Sidney J. Williams of the National Safety Council, who outlined ways and means for developing safety programs in camps. This discussion was completed on Saturday when Mr. Albert W. Whitney of the Educational Division of the National Safety Council gave us the results of research now being done through his department with a view to establishing safety codes for camps. Mr. Whitney specially stressed the thought of greater safety for more interesting adventure.

When the convention convened on Saturday morning all were delighted with the snappy music of the Senn High School Band. This band now holds first place in the National High School band contests. It is made up entirely of boys and directed by one of its members. It furnished a bit of entertainment which all directors will remember.

Mr. Chas. E. Hendry, co-editor of "Camping and Character," and Advisory Editor of our CAMPING MAGAZINE, very ably discussed the Educational Assumption Underlying the Use of Artificial Awards in

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#### REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MEETINGS OF THE C. D. A. CONVENTION

#### CHICAGO, ILL., FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 1, 1930

Note—A duplication of items discussed and acted upon at the general business meetings of the C. D. A. will appear in the reports of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, as many of the items were referred to these groups either in advance or following the business meetings.

An extra business meeting of the Association was held Friday afternoon, Feb. 28, at 5 o'clock. Forty-five members were in attendance. The purpose of this session was to discuss and clarify the following items of interest and importance:

I. The question of joint standards between the C. D. A. and the Red Cross Society in swimming, life-saving, waterfront protection, boating and canoeing, was thoroughly discussed and the following motion, made by Mrs. Carstens and seconded by Col. Rice, was adopted:

That, to the Executive Committee be turned over the material gathered by the committee appointed last October at a joint meeting held in Boston to study the question of joint standards. This collected material to be studied with care and prepared for publication.

The joint committee referred to in the above motion consisted of Dwight I.. Rogers, Jr., C. D. A.; Robert Kiphuth, Yale University; H. F. Enlows, Red Cross Society; and Capt. Fred Mills, Boy Scouts.

II. After hearing a report of the work of the National Safety Council it was voted

That the C. D. A. appoint a committee to co-operate with the National Safety Council in its studies of emergencies and illnesses in camps for boys and girls.

That the President should appoint a committee to work with the National Safety Council-members to be in New York to facilitate meetings with Mr. Albert Whitney who is directing the

study in camp safety.

III. The question of forming a National Co-ordinating Council or Federation or League of all organizations and interests working for camping was presented by Dr. Lloyd B. Sharp. Letters from Dr. Monilaw, Mr. H. W. Gibson, and a resolution from the New York Section revealed the fact that the Federation idea had been in the minds of other members. The discussion was enthusiastic and energetic and resulted in the following motion:

That a committee be appointed to study the question of this greater organization and to report at the next session of the business meeting, this committee to meet immediately after the evening session and "work until 2 A. M. if necessary." The task of this committee to be first, a definite statement of the scope and function of the C. D. A.; second, an outline of a specific plan for this League, Federation or Co-ordinating Council; third, some specific plan for doing something definite with the White House Conference. Adjourned at 6.20 P. M.

The second business session convened Saturday afternoon, March 1, with Presi-

dent Sprague in the chair.

I. In the absence of the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Mr. Frank E. Poland, the report was given by Miss Holiday, as follows: President, Dr. J. P. Sprague; 1st Vice President, Dr. Lloyd B. Sharp; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. H. N. Carrier; Secretary-Treasurer, Laura I. Mattoon: Chairman of Membership Committee, Frank S. Hackett. The report was accepted.

II. The report of the Membership Committee was read showing the total membership to be 549, the greatest gain during the year was made by the Mid-West Section.

III. The report of the special committee which was appointed Friday afternoon to study the question of a Federation was given by the chairman, Dr. Sharp. After much discussion of the Committee's findings, the following four motions were adopted:

First: That this conference go on record as endorsing the work of the White House Conference on Child Health and Protection and offering cooperation and assistance; and that suitable resolutions be forwarded to Secretary Wilbur.

Second: That a committee be appointed to co-operate with Mr. James West of the committee on Youth Outside the Home and School of the White House Conference; this committee should have power to act for the C. D. A.

Third: That the C. D. A. take immediate steps to form a National Camping Federation (or some suitable name) representing all camping interests in America and that a committee be appointed to perfect such an organization and that the committee work in close co-operation with the White House Conference.

Fourth: That when the National Camping Federation (or some suitable name) is perfected the C. D. A. reorganize as an organization of private camps and that a committee be appointed to take immediate steps to perfect this organization.

The third business session of the C. D. A. convened at 11.20 P. M., Saturday, March 1, after the banquet and evening program.

I. Col. L. L. Rice, Chairman of the Finance and Endowment Committees, and a member of the Southern Appalachian Section, gave the following report: In 1928 a Reserve Fund was authorized and now has in the bank \$1,072.00. This Fund may be expended at any time by the vote of the Executive Committee. The second fund is in the nature of an Endowment Fund, the interest from which, only, may be expended by official warrant. This fund now stands at \$1,212.79. The following recommendation was accepted:

"The Committee recommends that if the Association votes to continue the work of raising a permanent fund for endowment, a chairman for each district be appointed to carry on the work therein, this chairman to be appointed by the district official or officials in each instance. In order to give direction and supervision and at the same time secure definite correlation of effort it is recommended that a National Chairman be appointed and that the funds as collected be forwarded to him for investment. This National Chairman should be asked to give bond in

amount sufficient to cover the total entrusted to him. The Directors present are urged—unless conscientiously opposed to an endowment scheme—to take advantage of every opportunity to dispel the confusion existing between the two funds in the minds of other directors; likewise to contribute annually to the fund in proportion as they are able."

Voted to continue the work of raising the Endowment Fund.

II. Col. Rice then gave the Finance Report which was presented in the form of recommendations:

"a. That a committee be appointed to consist of three or five members, as the Association may determine by vote. to select presumably a woman who has the proper social and educational background and whose camp experience is deemed adequate to become full-time Secretary of the Camp Directors Association of America at a salary for the first year of \$2,500. This recommendation is not in any sense to be construed as an overt or implicit criticism of the work which Miss Mattoon has so ably and unselfishly carried on. But for the fact that Miss Mattoon has her own private camp and could not be induced to sever relations with it, the Committee would heartily recommend that she be the appointee. The Committee recommends that until a Secretary is appointed Miss Mattoon continue her work and that after the appointment has been made Miss Mattoon be asked to continue so as to coach the new secretary for such a period as may be deemed advisable by the appointing committee, her salary to be at the rate of \$2,500 for the year.

"First, all of us have been conscious for years that Miss Mattoon's own camp work has at times been handicapped by reason of her conscientious conviction that C. D. A. matters should be given priority of consideration, while it is common talk and has been for years that the efforts she has put forth have not evoked an adequate compensation. . . . The chairman of your Finance Committee burns inwardly with

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#### WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON CHILD HEALTH AND PROTEC-TION

President Hoover's Conference on Child Health and Protection is now occupying the close attention of all organizations dealing with the youth of America. On September 2nd, 1929, a letter was sent to the National Secretary outlining the task of the Conference and asking the Camp Directors' Association to assist on the following sub-committee—"Recreation and Physical Education." In consideration of the educational scope and aims of the camping movement the Secretary did not feel that this committee would suffice to include all that the camps are accomplishing in the training of our boys and girls.

Therefore, the following letters were sent

out by the National Secretary:

September 16, 1929.

Honorable RAY LYMAN WILBUR, Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As Secretary of the Camp Directors' Association I received from Mr. Henry Breckenridge a letter dated September 2nd, of which a copy is enclosed. From this letter it appears that organized camping for boys and girls has been classified under "Recreation and Physical Education."

If you will kindly read the enclosed report\* you will find that camping has become a movement of educational value far broader than the mere physical training implied in the classifications given us by the Planning Committee of the White House Conference.

We feel that justice cannot be done to our work under either heading of this committee; "Recreation" in no way suggests the character development in camping work; "Physical Education" cannot cover the manifold activities of a camp, for instance, crafts, music, nature, etc.

My immediate and emphatic suggestion is that a new sub-committee with some such topic as "Extra-Curricular Education" be created; under this would be grouped organizations as:

Camp Directors' Association

Boy Scouts

"The Place of the Organized Camp in the Field of Education." (N. Y. Section Report, 1929.)

Girl Scouts Church Camps Camp Fire Girls

Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Camps Y. M. H. A. and Y. W. H. A. Camps

Woodcraft League

4-H Clubs Boy Rangers

The Camp Directors' Association will be very glad to contribute all facilities at its command to aid in the organization and operation of this committee.

Sincerely yours, (Signed) LAURA I. MATTOON, Secretary, Camp Directors' Ass'n

September 16, 1929.

Mr. HENRY BRECKENRIDGE,

Committee on Recreation and Physical Education,

1749 E Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Breckenridge:

It would give us great pleasure to assist in the work of your committee in any way possible, but as you will see from the enclosed letter we feel that the scope of your topic does not adequately cover the most valuable contributions of camping towards the education of the child.

I hope you will understand that we considered it advisable to save time by communicating directly with the planning committee which is responsible for the organization of the topics.

Even should the change we suggest be made we should still be glad to co-operate with your committee in any way possible.

> Sincerely yours, (Signed) LAURA I. MATTOON, Secretary, Camp Directors' Ass'n

The following letter was sent to each of the organizations mentioned in the above letter to the Honorable Ray Lyman Wilbur:

September 16, 1929.

Mr. James E. West,

Boy Scouts of America, New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. West:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter addressed to me from Mr. Breckenridge, also a copy of a letter which I addressed to Mr. Wilbur.

If your organization feels, as ours does, that it should have fuller recognition of its educational work, will you kindly write to Mr. Wilbur and suggest that the Planning Committee arrange a new classification for our unique group of educational organizations?

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) LAURA I. MATTOON, Secretary, Camp Directors' Ass'n

Replies were received from the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc., agreeing that camping organizations did not have the correct listing and offering support to the C. D. A. in its endeavors to have a separate committee appointed. Letters from these organizations to Chairman, Ray Lyman Wilbur followed the letter from the C. D. A. Mr. James West, Chief Executive of the Boy Scouts had interviews with Dr. F. J. Kelly, Chairman of the Committee on Education and Training under which was listed the sub-committee, Recreation and Physical Education. He also interviewed Dr. H. E. Barnard, Director of the Executive Committee of the Conference.

The C. D. A. in January received a note from Mr. Breckenridge's Secretary, Mr. William Galvin, saying: "Dr. F. J. Kelly, Chairman of the Section on Education has just made a recommendation in line with your earlier request \* \* \* . The new committee will cover all the educational activities other than recreation and physical education of groups such as your own, the Y. M.'s, and Y. W.'s, Scouts, and many others.

"I do think it advisable, however, that you give Dr. J. H. McCurdy, Box G, Springfield, Massachusetts, the benefit of your ideas. He is chairman of a sub-committee of the Committee on Recreation and Physical Education dealing with Leadership Training."

In early February the C. D. A. was informed by Dr. Kelly that the new committee "Youth Outside the Home and School" had been formed with Mr. James West as Chairman, with a special sub-committee for camping.

The work of the C. D. A. on the White House Conference is to be, therefore, carried on under two committees. It serves as an advisory member of Dr. McCurdy's subcommittee, "Leadership Training" and is a member of Mr. James E. West's committee, "Youth Outside the Home and School."

#### NOMADS IN NEW MEXICO

AGATHE DEMING, Director of Escondido

Last June six girls from six different Eastern schools finished their last college entrance examinations and took the train for New Mexico, chaperoned by a young woman physician. On the morning of the fourth day they were met at the station by an honest-to-goodness Cowboy in a large hat, but that was not their first thrill. Ever since the train had left the rolling wheatlands of Kansas they had been drinking in the rugged beauty of mountain, canyon and mesa, strange in color and form to Eastern eyes.

This was the beginning of four weeks of adventure. The first day, driven by the aforementioned Cowboy in an excellent car, the group had a brief view of some Indian villages and lunched at a Ranch. They then drove up into the mountains where the base camp was located. Here was made the shift to camp clothes and to camp living. Our party was then composed of the six girls, the physician, myself as Director, and three Cowboy guides. A horse for each of us, an extra in case of need, and nine pack mules made up the "stock." There were no permanent buildings at the camp site. The same equipment was used here and on the pack trips.

A few days of adjustment to the altitude (about 8000 ft.), to riding Western ponies, and to the freedom of a daily plan which developed out of the environment, and all were ready to turn Nomads. Breaking camp was quite simple. The girls by that time were accustomed to saddling their own horses, could make ready their sleeping bags and small duffels, and were glad to lend a hand wherever the guides were willing. The intricate art of mule packing was at first practised only by the Cowboys, but before many days the girls were doing their share.

We followed trails through an almost uninhabited region. Aspen groves and virgin forests of evergreens alternated with meadows brilliant with flowers. Mountain streams provided pure drinking water as well as bathing and laundry facilities. When our camp site seemed particularly enticing we would spend two nights in the same place, having a lazy day in between. At this time some would have laundry and mending to



Courtesy of Agathe Deming

do, others would read, and the more adventurous would explore canyon sides and creek, practise bareback riding and roping. Early sunrises invited us to early breakfast, and long days in the sparkling air made an early bed hour acceptable. So the time passed while we absorbed sunlight and beauty and the restful spaciousness of a wide land.

Before two weeks were up the girls were asking if the trip might be lengthened. When we returned to our base camp, within reach of mail and telegraph, many messages were sent, with the result that four of the six received permission to add two weeks to the original month arranged for. The majority then voted that the extra time should be spent in seeing more of the Indian country glimpsed the first day from the automobile. At the end of the month of pack-tripping we said a reluctant good-by to the mountains and the pack outfit and the lucky ones who could remain joined me in my Ford. Since I was familiar with the country I undertook to be chauffeur and guide. We covered a good many hundred miles in New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado, feasting our eyes on the Painted Desert, Petrified Forest, and other places of beauty and interest. Cliff dwellings attracted us in particular because while on the pack trip we had come across the ruins of an ancient village and had picked up arrowheads and fragments of prehistoric pottery. We spent some time also visiting the villages where Indians live today and in one witnessed a ceremonial dance. Two days at a rodeo in Colorado gave us a thrilling picture of Cowboy skill and courage. We spent time, too, in the museums in Santa Fe and saw the church which is said to have been built by the Spaniards in the 16th Century.

Those girls who had the complete trip gained so much not only in physical relaxation but in broadening of outlook and refreshment of spirit that I was convinced of the value of such an experience. I found that those who had "graduated" from organized camps and those who had never attended one derived equal benefit and joy from the trip. It seemed a logical bridging of the gap between scheduled summer days and the greater freedom of adult vacations. Such a trip, also, gives a taste for the kind of adult vacation which is really re-creational. 1930, therefore, finds me planning with enthusiasm to turn another group of college-age girls into Nomads in the Southwest.

Agathe Deming, Director of Escondido

## MY EXPERIENCES IN AFRICA MARY L. JOBE AKELEY, Camp Mystic

(Introductory note: Mary L. Jobe Akeley, M.A., F.R.G.S., began her explorations in the Selkirks of British Columbia as a student at Bryn Mawr. Since that time she has conducted nine independent expeditions to the Northern Canadian Rockies. In recognition of her explorations in the region of Mt. Sir Alexander, the Canadian Geographic Board recently named a high peak of the Canadian Rockies "Mt. Jobe" in her honor. She founded Camp Mystic for Girls, at Mystic, Connecticut in 1916 and has directed it ever since. She made her first expedition to Africa as a member of the Akeley-Eastman-Pomeroy African Hall Expedition, conducted by her husband, Carl Akeley, for the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. At her husband's death, on November 17, 1926, she became

leader of that expedition. Because of the courageous manner in which she remained in the field and successfully carried the expedition program to completion, Albert, King of the Belgians, conferred upon her the decoration of the Cross of the Knight of the Order of the Crown. She is the author of "Carl Akeley's Africa," (Dodd, Mead and Co., 1929).

My thirteen months of active work in the field in Equatorial Africa proved a wholly different experience to any I had previously had in other parts of the world. The object of our expedition was two-fold. My husband, Carl Akeley, undertook to accomplish the work for which the Akeley-Eastman-Pomeroy African Hall Expedition had been organized—the collecting of materials for six taxidermic groups for African Hall of the American Museum of Natural History, designed by my husband to re-create and perpetuate in America the vanishing wild life of the Africa he loved.

In addition, following our audience with Albert, King of the Belgians, in Brussels, in February, 1926, M. Jaspar, Premier of Belgium and Minister of the Colonies, had entrusted my husband with a scientific mission to the Parc National Albert, Kivu, Belgian Congo.

Although climatic conditions and modes of travel differ greatly in British Columbia and in East Africa, my experiences on expeditions into the unexplored regions of the Northern Canadian Rockies proved invaluable on my first African journey. My duty, as a member of the expedition, was to act as secretary and paymaster, to employ and manage our black boys to superintend the camp cuisine, to assist with botanical and entomological collections, and to drive passenger cars and lorries, and to assist my husband when he was photographing and hunting big game for his collection.

We had seven months in the field together. In the Lukenia Hills, only thirty miles from our base in Nairobi, we made studies and collections for a group of klipspringer. Then we penetrated to the Northern Frontier of Kenya Colony, a few days' trek from the Abyssinian border, where we amassed materials for a Waterhole Group, featuring the northern giraffe. (In this country of pig holes and thorns I wore out the tires of the small Chevrolet and then had to drive the big lorry for all transportation.) Traveling southeast to the junction of the Theba and

Tana Rivers we hunted with Mr. George Eastman for the African Buffalo.

July found us in Tanganvika Territory where Mr. Akeley collected specimens of plains animals and fortunately secured a very rare group, a band of wild dogs. Here in the heart of the lion country of Western Tanganyika we had the hitherto unparalleled experience of finding and observing a family of fourteen peaceful lions at home in a hitherto undisturbed and unhunted valley. A lion was the only trophy I ever wanted from Africa, but after driving the car while Mr. Akeley made motion pictures of lions and being for three weeks closer to them than I had ever dreamed of being, I felt that I required nothing more concrete than the photographic record to keep my memory fresh. However, Mr. Akeley insisted that I must bring at least one natural history specimen to my Camp Mystic girls. Two shots, the only ones I fired in Africa, secured for me a very large and beautiful old lion with an impressively dark mane.

The artists of my husband's staff made background studies for all the taxidermic groups I have mentioned, while Mr. Akeley and his preparators recorded the data for the plant accessories that would be required for the Museum groups, by taking photographs and plaster casts of the various species and by preserving specimens in formalin. Mr. Akeley often remarked that in these six months in the field he had accomplished more than in any two years previously spent in Africa. To secure one or two groups is usually considered a full program for one expedition; we actually secured nine. Motor transportation, making it possible to reach remote game fields in a short time, hastened our progress, and Mr. Akeley in his zeal to push forward the work for African Hall, began his search for the game at dawn and was often busy in caring for his specimens and in developing his photographs until late at night. These months in the various game fields, where I was my husband's constant companion and assistant, were for me a most comprehensive and exceptional experience in Equatorial Africa.

Finally we prepared for a nine hundred mile safari by motor and on foot to the region Mr. Akeley considered the most beautiful in all Africa—the Kivu volcanoes of the Belgian Congo. Here, where Mr. Akeley studied and collected gorillas in 1921-22, the Belgian Government, at his suggestion, had established the first National Park in Africa. At its heart was a gorilla sanctuary of more than two hundred square miles. The mission entrusted to Mr. Akeley by Minister Jaspar included a survey of this region and the study of its flora and fauna, especially the gorilla. Here, also, plant accessories and a background were to be secured for the gorilla group of African Hall.

We reached my husband's last camp on the high slopes of Mt. Mikeno in early November. There, after a sudden illness of only three days, brought on by a year of extreme overwork, he was called to the Great Beyond.

I found myself suddenly the leader of the expedition. My husband's assistants came to me asking what we were to do. I could see but one answer—to remain to complete Carl Akeley's work to the best of our ability. My first duties were to prepare my husband's burial plot suitably and to hold the camp together so that the artist and museum preparator could continue their work and that Dr. Derscheid, a young Belgian scientist, should be free to travel afield and make a topographical survey of the volcanoes and study as intimately as possible the gorillas far away from camp.

In the weeks that followed, the maximum day-time temperature in our Mikeno camp at an altitude of 12,000 feet was 46° F.; at night the mercury dropped to 36°. When it was not actually raining, a heavy mist fell or it was cloudy and dark. Hailstones lay on the ground about our tent for two days following one prolonged storm. Heavy winds that almost constantly eddied off Mt. Mikeno and Mt. Karisimib, drove dark clouds over us, loosened our tent pegs and almost blew our tents down. Weather conditions such as these greatly complicated the work in hand. My safari, varying in number from sixty to three hundred black boys, on whom we were absolutely dependent for water, firewood, and the transportation of our camp and our collections, suffered acutely in the intense damp cold. I planned their work so that groups of fifteen worked in shifts of two hours each while those not working huddled by the fires in their little grass huts. They

required constant supervision, so that I was continually in the open, wearing all the woolen clothes I possessed to keep me warm. When occasionally my gun-boy or cook relieved me, I worked at my records in my tent lighted by a lantern and heated by a little charcoal brazier.

Shortage of provisions also added to the discomfort of native helpers. I kept a group of porters constantly in transit to bring into our camp any food that they could buy on the plains below. Even then I was forced to keep our black boys on shamefully scanty rations. One day when there were no beans nor rice in camp, I had to give them sixty pounds of our own white flour. My gravest problem was to keep these natives from returning to their homes before our survey could be completed. I promised them relief at the earliest possible moment and made every attempt to secure reenforcements. They seemed to sympathize with the difficulty of my position, and only one deserted. Our cook was exceptionally efficient, but preparing food in our main camp and for the two auxiliary camps was extremely trying because it was nearly impossible to keep the open cook fire going in the rain.

Collecting plant accessories amid such prodigality of vegetation was easy enough, but drying two hundred plaster casts of their leaves and stems and making photographs was a different matter. There were only three days between November eight and December eighteenth clear enough for photography; nevertheless, I secured a complete series of photographs including stereoscopic negatives of the plant accessories, as well as views of the gorilla's mountain home. I also made a close study of gorilla nests and of their feeding grounds and collected one of the nests entire for the museum group.

After seven weeks in the Mt. Mikeno camp, the artist's work was done, and our records and collections completed. We had surmounted Mr. Akeley's grave with a great slab of cement that bore his name and the date, and surrounded it with an eight foot stockade of mahogany posts against the encroachment of the jungle. Leaving his mortal body entombed in the midst of the country he loved, we relayed our camp down

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#### **EDITORIAL PAGE**

The major portion of the material printed in this issue of THE CAMPING MAGAZINE was assembled by a committee appointed by the President of the New York Section, Miss Agathe Deming, with Miss Lucile R. Ryttenberg serving as chairman and is therefore dedicated to the New York Section. A number of camp directors and counselors spent their vacations abroad. It is a privilege as well as a pleasure to share their experiences with our readers. The May and June numbers of the magazine will contain articles contributed by the Pacific Coast and Pennsylvania Sections. The fine spirit of co-operation shown by the Sections in sharing the responsibility of making our OFFICIAL JOURNAL interesting and successful is greatly appreciated by the editorial staff.

Do not pass lightly over the information printed on page nine regarding the business transacted at the Chicago meeting. It is desired that the four hundred and more members of the Camp Directors Association who did not attend the meeting be made aware of the fact that a forward step was taken in matters vitally affecting the entire camping movement and that the support of every member is solicited in making the work of the association effective. It is your organization, you have a voice and a vote. Do not hesitate to express your ideas or pass on to the various committees your suggestions. This magazine is devoted to your interests and welcomes your opinion on subjects relating to the work of the C. D. A.

Considerable protest has come from business men against the practice of some camp directors of securing advertisements for their own camp paper under the threat to withdraw their orders unless the firms advertise. This is an unethical practice and should be discontinued.

#### ENRICHED CAMP EXPERIENCE

COLBA F. GUCKER, Camp Lincoln

One of the outstanding values which the summer camp offers to a boy or girl is the opportunity for many new and interesting experiences which should tend to enrich the life of the individual. Some experiences are of more value than others, and certainly we should choose in our program those which lead on to more and broader activity.

There is one type of experience, seeming to have some educative value, which might be offered in the summer camp to a much greater extent than it now is. Then come those wonderful experiences of trips out of camp. Is there not a need for high adventure by our boys and girls, a chance to explore, to meet danger and overcome it? Is virile character built up by reading about our great heroes of adventure or does it come through actually experiencing some of their emotions? You all know too well the enthusiasm of youth for hikes, mountain climbing, cruising and canoe trips, and the opportunity they offer for fine and profitable experience.

I would like to mention another type of trip, seeming to have some educative value, which might appeal more to school people. That is the taking of trips to places of interest within the camp neighborhood where activities are being carried on which might give some interpretation to the life of that section of the country.

Last summer Camp Lincoln in the Adirondacks tried in an experimental way to discover the extent of interest of its campers in such trips. In a questionnaire sent out before camp opened to all enrolled boys we asked, along with a number of other questions, the following: "Would you like to visit a sawmill, paper mill, furniture factory, blast furnace, hydro-electric power plant, dairy farm, fox farm, deer park, laundry or hospital?" These questionnaires were returned one hundred per cent. Among our fifty boys twenty-six wished to visit a power plant, twenty-three a blast furnace, twenty-one a paper mill, twenty a fox farm, twelve a deer park, and smaller numbers the other places offered.

During our two months of camp life we were able to take most of the trips planned and we found a great deal of interest by the

boys in the places visited. There was much lively discussion as to why this or that was done, and it was our regret that our busy camp life prohibited following up more thoroughly the interest stimulated by these visits. The trips were planned for groups of ten to fifteen, the capacity of our camp bus, and were usually taken on mornings or afternoons when other camp activities did not interfere.

As the results seemed to be entirely satisfactory we expect to enlarge our field some and are planning to offer trips to the following places another year:

Blacksmith shop Sawmill Paper mill Dairy farm Iron mine Blast furnace Granite quarry Fox farm Hydro-electric plant Furniture factory Mineral water bottling plant Laundry County poor farm Hospital Maple sugar plant State prison Army training camp Forestry station State road making operation

Undoubtedly this list will suggest many other interesting places to camp directors who may wish to broaden their camp program in this way. I have left out all trips of historical nature which might be another field in itself. Our own particular neighborhood has such possibilities as Ticonderoga, Crown Point, Plattsburgh and Burlington.

Much practice in expression is gained when an account of these trips is written for the camp paper and when different members stand before the council fire and tell their stories of adventure.

What could be a more worthy project than that of a group of boys planning and constructing a cabin? Not a play cabin, but one in which they live after completion. They see the first cabin built by the seniors of 1923. They would like to build one too and are given permission to make a try. After

conferences, plans and drawings are made, a site is chosen, the lumber ordered and work started on clearing the ground and erecting foundations. The necessity of a foreman is recognized. One member of the group is elected. He, in turn, parcels out the daily jobs and keeps the time book of his workmen. Those putting in the larger number of hours will get the first choices of bunks in the new home. Problems arise, and expert advice is sought. Corrections are made, but the building is always going forward until that happy moment arrives when they move into their new home and the whole camp turns out for a grand house warming.

These are just a very few examples of how the summer camp may contribute to rich experience in the art of living, the goal

of all education.

#### TRAINING COURSES FOR CAMP COUNSELORS AND DIRECTORS GIVEN IN THE MIDDLE WEST

MARJORIE CAMP, Acting Head Dept. of Physical Education for Women, U. of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

It may be of interest to members of the Camp Directors Association to know of some of the counselor and camp director training courses offered in the Middle West.

There are four types: One, the Course offered by some city organization or group of organizations. The Cleveland Camp Council, co-operating with the Department of Social Sciences in Western Reserve University, conducts a course in May each year, the weekend of Memorial Day. A large staff of nationally known leaders is obtained and a group of students gather from far and near. Co-operative city organizations also arrange for courses, Y. W. C. A., Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc. The Physical Education Department of the University of Minnesota cooperated with city organizations in Minneapolis and St. Paul to give such a course last May with Miss Barbara Ellen Joy in charge.

The second type is the course offered in the university Physical Education program such as the Camp Counselors Courses given at the University of Wisconsin and at the University of Chicago for several years.

The third type is the course offered as part of the major course in Physical Education, as

at the University of Iowa, where it is included each year, or at the University of Illinois where a two-week course has been given in alternate years to juniors and seniors by Miss Joy. The Kansas Agricultural College offered such a course for the first time this year.

The fourth type of course is given in the summer. Doctor William G. Vinals' Nature Lore School at Hudson, Ohio, has been conducted under the auspices of Western Reserve University with great success in 1928 and 1929.

Shorter courses, usually in June, have been undertaken by the Mid-West section of the C. D. A. in 1928 and 1929, and by the University of Iowa since 1928. As I have been in charge of the Iowa course, I shall give in some detail its general plan and purpose.

Summer camps have become an integral part of the American scheme of education. The educational aims and high standards of the program of a progressive camp can be attained only by trained counselors. Such counselors must, first of all, have a sympathetic understanding of the entire camp program, the aims of which were so ably presented in the March '29 Report of the New York section of the Camp Directors Association as follows:

"The essential functions of the Camp are education for physical health, emotional integration, an understanding of primitive processes, enlightened social participation, the acquisition of tastes and appreciations and spiritual growth."

In order that a greater number of competent leaders "possessing a real understanding of outdoor living and the interests of children" should be available, we organized our first intensive two-week Camp Counselor Course at the State University of Iowa, June, 1928.

This course was an outgrowth of Miss Elizabeth Halsey's\* interest in camping, of the demand from Directors and of the need of counselors in this section for such training.

The location of the University is favorable for such a course, because of the accessibility of the Iowa river, which is within a

\*Head of Dept. of P. E. for Women, University of Iowa.

block of the gymnasium, and because of the ease with which one can get to open country for camp craft and nature lore projects.

The advantages of having a training course at our University may be presented under three headings, which are:

1. Equipment

Such equipment as dormitories with an organized kitchen staff (an item hard to provide at a camp early in the season) assembly rooms, class rooms, sufficient gymnasium space so that practice teaching may be done comfortably with large groups, swimming pool so that instruction can be carried on regardless of cold or rain (which often hampers the swimming work done at conferences held in June at camps), museums, libraries, laboratories and sports equipment. This set up, which provides comfortable living and learning conditions, is an asset when so much intensive work is to be done.

#### 2. Staff

The staff consisted of four members of the Department of Physical Education for Women at the University of Iowa, Professor Halsey, Professor Camp, Miss Shurmer, Miss Lea, now at Ohio State; and the following special instructors: Miss Barbara Ellen Joy who gave the camp organization and camp craft courses, Professor Wylie (1928) and Professor Lazell (1929) of the University of Iowa, who gave the course in Nature Lore. The possibility of an enriched program because of contributions from other departments such as Botany, Geology and Education is a great advantage.

#### 3. Credit

Two semester hours Physical Education credit may be obtained. The peculiar advantages of this Training Course are the opportunity to earn University credit, and the unusually wide choice of courses.

The organization of the conference was in general, class meetings all morning or all afternoon. An exception was the course Physical Education in Camp, which met at one o'clock for the lecture period, with laboratory arranged. A considerable amount of outside work was necessary in all courses consisting of reports on readings and practical work. Extra hours were taken for discussions. In the case of campcraft, with the exception of lectures, all work was done outdoors and meals were frequently cooked. Evening meetings lasted from 7 to 9. The total, therefore, was 60 definitely required hours, but more time was actually given.

The arrangement of periods each day included time for actual teaching, lectures and demonstration by the instructor, time for practice teaching by the students, undersupervision, time for practical work and time for reports on readings.

Our courses themselves contained specific information about each subject. The Camp Organization course covered material under the following general headings: History of camping, newer tendencies in camping and high lights of educational philosophy and psychology applied to camping education, Standards and Ethics, Choosing a camp site, Equipment, Sanitation, Health and Safety, Leadership in the camp, Commissary and Records, Camp Activities, Organization of camp program, and administration of staff, Special Problems.

The Camperaft course consisted of lectures on aims and history of camping, professional relationships, values of camperaft, conservation, outdoor cooking, fire building, equipment of all kinds, trips and organization of interest groups according to the activities possible at the camp considered. Practical work was done with knife and ax, in outdoor cooking and similar activities. The teaching of these subjects to the campers was stressed. Each student, in addition to a considerable amount of outside reading and special papers, completed one of a list of projects; such as making a black ash basket, making and waterproofing a tent, map making or the making of various devices.

The course in Physical Education in Camp was arranged with one lecture period and one laboratory period elected in any class offered in the department. The educational possibilities of camp were brought out and objectives discussed.

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## REPORT OF CANOEING CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

EDWARD M. HEALY, Chairman

I am extremely happy to report that in 1929 great progress was made by the various Canoeing Conferences. Courses in which the C. D. A. Canoeing Standards were used as guides, were given at Mills College, California; Camp Minocqua, Wisconsin; Iowa State University, Iowa, and White Mountain Camp in Maine. In the first three named, canoeing was given in conjunction with other camping subjects. In Maine our sevenday Conference was devoted solely to canoeing and its relations with correlated activities.

At Mills College twelve girls took the course. Miss Cassidy who was director reported much interest but gave as her opinion that canoeing instruction did not present a pressing need at this time on the Pacific Coast because so few camps had canoes.

Doctor Monilaw, Chairman of the combined Canoeing and Swimming Conference at Camp Minocqua reported an attendance of thirteen with a total staff of five including Doctor Luehring and Messrs. Miller and Royal for swimming, and Mr. and Mrs. Pulling for canoeing. The instruction and reception were excellent but due to very poor attendance and interest on the part of the camps which might have been served, the Conference showed a deficit of \$240.52 as against a cash balance from the 1928 Conference of \$7.93.

The Conferences given at the University of Iowa under the direction of Miss Marjorie Camp commend themselves to the directors of girls' camps who may have counselors near enough to take them. Canoeing, swimming, camperaft, camp organization, physical education in camps and nature study in camps are all taught in an efficient and thorough manner by people enabled by experience to present their subjects. Proximity to the Iowa River and the woods is a helpful adjunct. A large gymnasium provides a place for instruction when the weather outdoors is inclement. Last June twenty-two diplomas in canoeing for assistant canoeing counselors and one for head canoeing counselor were awarded.

I am most familiar with the Conference given in Maine at the camp of our former President and member, Doctor George L. Meylan, because I visited it and watched it in operation. Miss M. Elizabeth Bates was again co-director, working with Mr. Evan Woodward, experienced authority on canoeing and camping, former comptroller of the Dartmouth Outing Club, and for many years an instructor in camperaft and canoeing in organized camps. Miss Marjorie Tuzo, long on the staff of Canoeing Conferences, was the third instructor.

We have long held that the Conferences have as much or more application to boys' camps as to girls' and were therefore very happy to discover that boys' camps continued their interest, sending five men to take the course. These men reported that they had gained great benefits from the Conference and were going to their positions truly prepared to make successes of them and convinced of the foolishness of the widespread belief that the C. D. A. Canoeing Conferences combined a lot of saluting and basically unnecessary canoeing calisthenics to the exclusion of fundamentals. The sixteen young ladies who also took the course brought the total to twenty-one, a gain of six students in one year. We expended more for instruction, insisted on paying for every benefit we received, including full board for the instructors, and showed a profit of \$28.19 against a deficit last year.

I shall not go into detail as to the content of the course. Briefly stated it included efficient methods of teaching canoeing in camps, proper canoeing strokes, the care and purchase of equipment, standards for ascertaining the progressive efficiency of campers and counselors in canoeing, safety measures, the relationship of canoeing to camperaft, swimming and trips, the application of the canoeing standards of the C. D. A. to canoeing in boys' and girls' camps. This Conference which lasted for seven days had to be highly condensed in order to cover all of the material desired. That there is much to learn about canoeing may be judged by the fact that many of the students were spending their second and third years at the course. Most of the members were from Maine camps, one came from Canada and another from Tennessee.

In my last year's report I spoke of what I regarded as a great need for more Conferences conducted in more camping centers. To sound out sentiment outside of New England I wrote separately typed letters at my own expense to the directors of camps in Pennsylvania listed in "Camps and Camping," presenting a plan for a Conference and asking that they do me the courtesy of replying with their reactions. Six directors of the whole number displayed the common courtesy of replying, two saying they would be interested and the other four responding in the negative.

As a canoeist of twenty-four years' experience I have been quite amazed at the difference of opinion on methods of instructing and practising canoeing. There are many schools of thought whose ideas we have tried to gather for the purpose of selecting the best which each had to offer. The new Canoeing Standards which will be issued this Spring represent what we hope is a meeting of the minds of all concerned. We intend that the Standards shall go into greater detail and will be applicable to all camps. They will be the essentials of canoeing instruction and practice as we see them and ought to satisfy the Allegash guide as well as the interested director of a girls' camp on a small pond. We are also endeavoring to work with the Red Cross and various Scout organizations to achieve standards applicable to all.

I believe that better business methods are necessary for the success of the Conferences. No man or woman wants to continue to lose money on a venture the sole purpose of which is to benefit camping in general. If lack of interest on the part of directors is such that few people may be expected to take a given course, less expensive leaders should be chosen. Chairmen of Conferences should not be made to hold the bag. Given a few such experiences a director quite naturally quits his job in disgust and figures that he will let somebody else take the charity role. Conferences should not be charity affairs. They should either be put on a paying basis: (1) by being supported financially by our Association so that all contribute to them whether individual camps are represented at the Conference or not or, (2) through advertising and a greater instilling of interest, sufficient students should be obtained to leave a cash balance. The Conferences are very much worthwhile and they can be made to pay if proper centralized authority and study are brought to bear.

The New England Canoeing Conference will convene from June 18th to 25th at White Mountain Camp, South Casco, Maine, under the same direction as last year and with an increase in enrollment indicated.

Information concerning courses that will be given this Spring at the University of Iowa has already been issued and may be obtained by writing to Miss Marjorie Camp at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

#### SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

New York—April 11-13. Week End Conference. The Inn. Buck Hill Falls, Pa. Pacific—April 10-13. Conference and Meeting. Asilomar. Monterey County, Calif.

## INSTITUTES AND TRAINING COURSES

New York City: March 3 to April 28. Teachers College, Columbia University. Dr. Elbert K. Fretwel!, Director.

Iowa City, Iowa: June 16-27. University of Iowa. Prof. Marjorie Camp, Director.

Hudson, Ohio: June 21 to August 1. Western Reserve Academy, Nature Guide School, Dr. William G. Vinal, ("Uncle Bill") Director.

Austin, Texas. (Date to be announced). Camp Leadership Course. University of Texas. Barbara A. Joy, Director.

April 21-25. Training Camp for Directors and Counselors. Kamp Kahlert, near Washington, D. C. Fay Welch, Director. Write to Miss Dorothy Greene, 1835 M Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

June 16-28. Archery Course. Camp Moy-Mo-Da-Yo, Pequaket Lake, Cornish, Me. Write to Miss Helen Mayo, 15 Wren Street, W. Roxbury, Mass.

March 5 to May 15. Leadership Course. Write to the Y. M. C. A., 1421 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Dartmouth Outing Club is organizing a short course for a group of its members who would make good Campcraft and Hiking Instructors for Summer Camps in Northern New England. For information write Mr. D. P. Hatch, Jr., Dartmouth Outing Club, Hanover, N. H. (Box 291).

The American Humane Association is to hold its National Convention at Niagara Falls October 6-9, 1930.

The Mental Hygiene Congress will meet in Washington, D. C., May 5-10, 1930.

#### TRAINING CONFERENCES FOR CAMP COUNSELORS CAMP DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION 1930

Eastern Canoeing Conference: June 18-24, 1930. White Mountain Camp, So. Casco, Me. Chairman, Edward M. Healy, 48 Jane St., New York, N. Y.

School of Horsemanship: June 24-30, 1930. Teela-Wooket Camps, Roxbury, Vermont. Chairman, C. A. Roys, 22 Ordway Rd., Wellesley Hills, Mass.

CAMPERAFT CONFERENCE: June 21-28, 1930. Camp Carter, Andover, N. H., Chairman, Maynard L. Carpenter, Lebanon, N. H.

TRAINING COURSE FOR COUNSELORS, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa: June 16-27, 1930. Courses: Canoeing, Swimming, Camp Craft, Nature Study in Camp.

TRAINING IN CAMP LEADERSHIP, Mills College, California: June 28-July 27, 1930.
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## EXTRACTS FROM REPORTS OF COMMITTEES PRESENTED AT THE CHICAGO MEETING

MEMBERSHIP—FRANK S. HACKETT, Chairman COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL TABLE

Members—April, 1929			Members—February, 1930					
Section	Act.	Assoc.	Coun.	Total	Act.	Assoc.	Coun.	Total
New England	80	4	4	88	83	8	7	98
New York	157	28	14	199	148	36	11	195
Mid. West	68	9	0	77	85	21	4	115
Penna.	38	6	2	46	44	6	2	52
So. Appal.	25	2	0	27	35	5	2	42
Mid. Atlan	9	1	1	11	9	3	2	14
Rocky Mt.	7	3	0	10	7	3	0	10
Pacific	20	3	0	23	20	6	0	26
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Suggestions were submitted regarding increasing the membership through appealing to Section Presidents to motivate the Section Membership Committee.

LEGAL—Louis M. Fleisher, Chairman

The request for the appointment of an Associate Member to this Committee from

each Section was practically ignored, the Pacific Section being the only one to appoint a representative, in the person of Mr. Thomas Webb.

Attention of the proper officers of the Association was again called to the fact that inasmuch as much of the possible value of

this Committee depends upon keeping in touch with proposed changes in legislation and interpretation of the regulations by State Departments of Health and State Boards, that it is of real importance if the work of this Committee is to be nation wide, that there be members appointed to the Committee who will be able to keep in touch with what is happening in the various states where the camps are in operation.

A serious condition confronted the camps operating in the State of Maine in connection with a new regulation requiring all nonresidents, irrespective of age or membership in organized camps, to secure fishing licenses at a considerable fee where formerly there was a reasonable age limit. The Chairman, in co-operation with a number of other directors of Maine Camps, formulated vigorous protests and as a result the new regulation was not put into active force during the past season and there is at least a chance for revision so as to exempt junior campers from its operation. Whether the release sought for will be finally obtained is not as vet definitely assured.

Advice was given in regard to interpretation of the code of ethics, and legal problems involved in the publication of THE CAMP-ING MAGAZINE.

## CAMP CRAFT CONFERENCE — MAYNARD L. CARPENTER, Chairman

The seventh annual conference was held at Camp Carter. 18 camps were represented by 20 counselors and 8 staff members and guest speakers. Eight to ten hours a day were spent in theory, demonstration, and practice in the "science of living in the woods and on the trails in such a manner as to produce health, happiness, increased knowledge and experience which will be of lifetime value." The receipts were \$715.00 and expenses \$711.55; balance on hand \$3.45.

## HORSEMANSHIP CONFERENCE—C. A. Roys, Chairman

The School of Horsemanship was held at The Teela-Wooket Camps, Roxbury, Vermont, June 25 to July 1. 31 counselors registered for the normal work and 13 of this number went directly from the Conference into camp positions. The Conference gives a rating of Third, Second and First Class

Instructors to those who complete the work. Of the 31 who took the course, 12 were rated Third Class, 10 as Second Class, and there were no First Class; 9 did not receive a rating.

The 1930 Conference will be held at Teela-Wooket Camps, June 24 to June 30.

## ENDOWMENT FUND--Col. L. L. Rice, Chairman

The committee reported that \$1,212.77 had been received from directors and is now on deposit at the Broadway National Bank, Nashville, Tenn., and that \$1,072.00 had been paid into the Reserve Fund subscribed at Atlantic City in 1928. This sum is on deposit at the Wolfeboro National Bank, Wolfeboro, N. H. If these two funds could be increased to \$5,000 each, the interest would provide an income of \$500.00 a year to be used in research work and for emergency needs.

#### MY EXPERIENCES IN AFRICA

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the slippery trails and began the long trek to Lake Hannington.

On the shores of this volcanic lake, where the temperature recorded in my grass and canvas banda (shelter) was 116°, we made our last camp in Africa. Here in accordance with my husband's plans, we obtained photographs of the great colonies of pink flamingoes and the accessory materials and background studies for a group of Greater Koodoo.

My undertakings in the field in Africa, therefore, were constantly varied—the unexpected continually happened. Our days were crowded with adventure; our nights with many a stirring incident. Whereas my previous experiences in out-of-door life were of inestimable value to me yet a serious African expedition afforded so many new problems that my resourcefulness was constantly taxed to the utmost. Africa is wholly unlike any other country in the world. Its beauty, its exactions, its gifts are unique and original. My year in "Carl Akeley's Africa" proved the most important experience of my entire life.

#### PLACEMENT BUREAU

The Placement Bureau of the Camp Directors Association desires to call the attention of the directors to the following list of counselors who wish positions for next year. Further qualifications will be furnished upon request.

#### Women

No. 146. Indiana; dietitian; has been instructor in home economics in High Schools and College; buyer and manager of large high school lunch room.

No. 148. Kentucky; dietitian; teacher in home economics and lunchroom dietitian.

No. 150. Rhode Island; Camp Mother or Camp Hostess; fifteen years teaching in public and private schools.

No. 152. Mass.; Camp Mother or Hostess with nursing; has private Kindergarten.

No. 154. New York; Nurse; student at Post Graduate Medical School; assistant in Skin Clinic.

No. 156. Mass.; Nurse; private duty nursing.

No. 158. Ohio; Nurse; instructor in School of Nursing.

No. 162. New York; group singing, piano, pageantry; supervisor of elementary school music; camp experience as music counselor.

No. 166. Ohio; swimming with land sports; Red Cross Examiner; camp experience.

No. 168. Nebraska; swimming with land sports; Red Cross Examiner; many years' camping experience.

No. 170. Mid-West; horsemanship with nature study; experienced in both activities.

No. 172. Mass.; horsemanship with athletics and swimming; attended C. D. A. Riding Conference 1927; graduate of school of physical education; riding counselor summer 1929.

No. 176. Rhode Island; dancing with dramatics and group singing; has dance studio; camp experience.

No. 178. Ohio; dancing with corrective gymnastics; college graduate and has studied in schools of the Dance; camp experience.

No. 180. Mass.; dancing; graduate of Braggiotti-Denishawn School of the Dance; four summers' experience as counselor in charge of dancing; dancing teacher for eight years.

No. 182. Tennessee; group singing and piano; member of Nashville Conservatory of Music faculty; camp experience.

No. 184. Mass.; dramatics; three summers' experience as counselor in charge of dramatics.

No. 186. Vermont; dramatics; teacher of dramatics in Normal School; camp experience.

No. 192. Florida; Nature lore and forestry with camp craft; teaching experience in school and camp.

No. 196. New York; Handicraft and sketching; art school graduate; art instructor.

No. 198. Mass.; Head counselor or activity counselor; supervisor of Physical Education.

No. 200. West Virginia; dietitian; college graduate, major in Home Economics.

#### Men

No. 55. Pennsylvania; Head counselor; taking Camp Leadership Course at Columbia Univ.; head of Physical Ed. Dep't in Boys' Private School; five years' experience in camps; Director in 1929.

No. 57. Ohio; Land sports with water sports; college Senior; camp experience.

No. 59. Rhode Island; Riflery, canoeing and camperaft; assistant Scoutmaster; graduate student at Brown Univ.

No. 61. Indiana; athletics; college Junior connected with Physical Ed. Dep't of University for two years.

No. 65. Mass.; handicraft with tennis; high school instructor; camp experience.

No. 67. New York; dramatics; actor; college education.

No. 69. Pennsylvania; Forestry and nature lore; college graduate, Dep't Forestry; with Forest Service for two years; one summer Nature Study School; camp experience.

No. 71. New Jersey; Nature lore with woodcraft; taking Camp Leadership Course at Columbia Univ.; camp experience.

No. 73. Ohio; Aquatics and land sports; Red Cross Examiner; many years' camping experience; Director of Physical Ed. in schools.

No. 75. Pennsylvania; Head Counselor; many years' Camping experience; Director Scout camp June, 1929; Dep't Head Counselor summers 1928, 1929.

#### REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH COMMITTEE OF C. D. A.

To the Officers and Members National Camp Directors' Association:

This communication is submitted in the hope that it will meet the needs of the Association and aid in formulating for the individual director a policy insuring even higher standards, for our camps, of safety and health for the entire personnel concerned.

An ever-increasing measure of interest in health problems is evidence of the greater sense of the tremendous responsibility thrust upon those authorities who assume the care of boys and girls for a considerable part of each summer. The individual director may feel that too great emphasis is being placed upon this phase of activity but the camp movement has assumed such proportions that a certain measure of adequate control is being demanded by the public. There are two ways in which this control will be exercised:

- (1) By the association itself thru its members, or
- (2) By the constituted authorities of each state.

It should be evident that such standards as will satisfy the public health officials ought to be followed by the directors, rather than having to submit to galling restrictions and arbitrary regulations based on statutes and entailing licensing, inspection and possible stifling of individual effort and enterprise. The more completely this question of health standards is discussed, defined, and understood, the less the organized camp has to fear local and state regulation.

In the belief that the first requirement should be to ascertain the facts as to the occurrence of illness and accidents in camps, as well as what preventive measures are being used, the National Safety Council collected statistics during the summer of 1929. Two hundred twenty-five camps were invited to participate, of which 115 furnished data, covering all or a part of the vacation. These camps concerned 35,000 people and a total of 110,000 board weeks. (Equivalent to 110,000 people for one week.) The average period covered was 3 weeks.

The tentative conclusions drawn from a careful digest of the material are:

- One-fourth the illnesses reported involved the Camp Staff.
- (2) Equal amount of illness in boys and girls.
- (3.) There is considerable variation of accident distribution:

Cuts and lacerations, boys 49% girls 75% Sprains boys 10% girls 31%

Accidents from use of tools

Accidents due to ordinary carelessness Higher in boys

(4) Frequency of infections:

Staff 12.5 % Girls 10 % Boys 6 %

- (5) Accidents due to organized athletics:
  Boys 49%
  Girls 38%
- (6) Illnesses are responsible for 5 times amount of complete loss of time as accidents.
- (7) Greater incidence of accidents in the 4th to 10th camp days.
- (8) Greater frequency of accidents in older campers.
- (9) Campers sent home because of illness numbered 86 and staff members 6.

This is probably the first attempt at a statistical study of camp health. Too broad conclusions cannot be drawn from the figures submitted. This work should be continued either by the Association or some organization thoroly in sympathy with the Association until sufficient material has accumulated to establish the necessary facts.

A source of possible danger to both staff and campers is the food handler who is infected with communicable disease. Some states and cities recognize this danger and require that the prospective servant prove that he is not infected, before permitting him to prepare food or to care for cooking and table utensils.

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In conclusion, the work initiated by the National Safety Council should be continued. Whether the latter organization carries on for 1930 is problematical but provision should be made for its continuance. Members of the association are urged to keep and furnish for the central authority complete and accurate records to make the information of permanent and dependable value. The present study will be published by Columbia University under the authorship of Mr. J. E. Sanders.

The elimination from the camp of the carrier of disease should be seriously undertaken and vigorously prosecuted.

The establishment of the highest standards of safety and hygiene should be demanded of the individual director, in order that directors and the association may lead and not be coerced.

Acknowledgment is here made of the assistance of all those who have made this report possible. Your chairman holds himself ready to carry out any suggestions of the Association or its individual members, and to aid in promoting and protecting the organized camping profession.

(Signed) FRED E. CLOW, M.D.

## SIDELIGHTS ON CAMP DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION MEETING

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Camps. Mr. Hendry was ably equipped to discuss this subject from a psychological point of view and had at his command much material, both specific and general, bearing upon the subject. Mr. Leon G. Kranz, Physical Director of Northwestern University, discussed the more practical phases of the situation as it now exists and gave many valuable suggestions as to the proper use of awards. Miss Wanamaker's discussion was especially interesting in that it referred

directly to the motives in children underlying their efforts to secure awards, thus relating it to the subject of character development.

Mr. Perry Smith, Head Master of the Winnilka Progressive School, was then introduced by our President. Mr. Smith, as representative of the Progressive Education Association, urged greater co-operation between schools and camps.

The program was interrupted at this point by a short talk on story telling by Kenneth Eugene Fredericks. Mr. Fredericks brought out the fact that campers were keenly interested in Shakespearian plays and stories if properly presented, and proceeded to hold everyone spellbound while he related and acted a bit of Shakespearian drama.

Hotan Tonka, author and lecturer, gave a very impressive presentation of Indian

ceremonials, songs and dances.

It was evident to the executive committee that much business was to come before the convention and a special business meeting was called following the afternoon session of the program on Friday. This meeting lasted for two and one half hours. The second business meeting was preceded by an interesting discussion of story telling by Miss Frances Kern of the National Kindergarten College. Miss Kern recited a number of interesting stories and distributed a valuable list of books classified for different needs in camp. The second business session continued until five o'clock in the afternoon when it adjourned to meet following the banquet. At 5 P. M. Mr. William G. Vinal, former president of the C. D. A., gave a most interesting and impressive talk on Nature Lore in Camp, and emphasized the interest and value of his work with lantern slides and a reel of moving pictures.

Nearly every camp director attending the convention remained for the banquet. Tables were arranged for small groups and the banquet hall appropriately decorated. Mr. Hugh C. Dickerson, the music director of Camp Minocqua, gave us camp songs whenever there was an opportunity. The number of times he was called back indicated the pleasure he afforded the assembly. Mr. Donald R. MacJannet, a C. D. A. member from France, gave us a reel of movie pictures and a ten minute talk on organized

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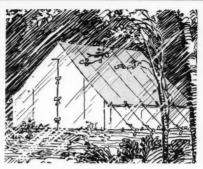
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WM. W. CLENDENIN 120 Vista Place, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. camping in France. We were somewhat surprised and delighted to know that a real American camp was being conducted in the most beautiful mountain region of France. Mr. Dushkin's talk on Creative Music in Camps together with his display of musical instruments made in camp proved not only entertaining but highly instructive. Many questions were asked and Mr. Dushkin was requested to play on every instrument exhibited.

The business session, following the banquet, lasted until midnight. During this the report of the finance committee was received and changes in the constitution by-laws acted upon.

A rare treat was missed by all those who did not remain for the visit to the Field Museum on Sunday morning. Miss Margaret Cornell, an officer of the Museum, personally conducted a party of thirty camp directors through many of the most interesting exhibits. The explanations and information given were most enlightening. A delightful social gathering was had following the visit to the Field Museum when through the courtesy of Mrs. Luther Seymour the Mid-West Section entertained the entire group at dinner at the Women's Club of Chicago. This dinner officially closed the general sessions of the convention.

#### BOOK REVIEWS

UP ANCHOR. A. Harold Hickey. The Abingdon Press, New York. \$1.50.

Here is a corking good sea story based upon the author's experiences as a seaman. The tang of the sea has a lure that is irresistible to boys and this story will hold their attention from start to finish. It is just the kind of a book you will want to read aloud at a camp fire or around the log fire on a rainy day or cool evening. The author's description of crossing the equator and his introduction to King Neptune and the chapter on "Vomans make Trouble" are particularly interesting.

EDUCATION AND THE SUMMER CAMP—AN EXPERIMENT. Lloyd Burgess Sharp, Ph.D., Bureau of Publications, Teachers College, Columbia University. \$1.50.

The publication of this thesis of Dr. Sharp's is a distinct contribution to the bibliography on camping. The aim of the book is to show through field study how the so-called "fresh air work" may be organized along recognized camping lines and "be essentially an educational enterprise and not merely a relief measure or a means of providing fresh air for needy children," quoting a sentence from the book. The results of a four-year experiment sponsored by Life's Fresh Air Fund, is described in a most interesting style. Directors of all types of camps will discover much of value in the six chapters of the book, especially in Chapter IV, "Education in Camp Life," which gives a variety of opinions as to the aim or purpose of camping. Dr. Sharp is a Vice President of the Camp Directors Association and the chairman of the Committee on Federation of Camps.

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Books have begun to appear—some as the result of contest—that are stimulating to the director and enlightening to the public. I have recently reviewed two such books not yet published. The Child Study Association of America is now ready to complete a pamphlet listing summer reading for boys and girls and this meeting should urgently request that this work be done.

Magazine, radio, and newspaper publicity are on the increase and should be generously contributed to by those who know what to say and can write. Organization Camp publicity is easy to get and is a great help to the camping movement.

Publicity by means of exhibits has been much talked about. Each section is to have its own and will be furnished with any material needed from the Secretary-Treasurer's office. The continuous co-operation of every member is requested to get the materials together and keep the exhibit up to date. A booklet containing general information

about the Camp Directors Association and its members is much needed but finances are lacking for its publication.

Following the Atlantic City meeting last March it was my pleasure to meet the New England Section members in attendance before they left. The discussions were most interesting and helpful. In New York a few days later I met the Section President and others in conference. An evening with Vice President Bentley of Boston helped in the

development of plans.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee and Heads of Conferences held in Boston in October all members were present for a two-day session. A stop in New York City on the way gave an opportunity to visit with several members. In January a meeting of the officers and board of the New York Section was held in the Town Hall Club which both Miss Mattoon and I attended. Matters of vital interest were discussed. In a conference the following morning with Miss Mattoon and Miss Holiday plans for this meeting and its program were considered. The annual meeting of the Mid-West Section and several meetings of the Chicago Council of Private Camp Directors have been attended. Two conferences of the directors of Y. M. C. A. Camps in the Chicago area proved most interesting and showed most careful consideration of subiects under discussion.

In the face of what should have been done I feel that little has been accomplished and that the real work of the association is ahead. This organization though making substantial progress is not keeping up with the camping movement. Interest is lacking in many private camp directors who inquire what will I get out of it. Institutional camp directors feel that their own camp organizations are sufficient and are developing much of worth with little given to or gotten from

More investigation of existing conditions, more careful and intensive thinking, a broader vision and greater co-operation among camp directors is needed to decide the policies and determine the future usefulness of the Camp Directors Association.

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